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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Survey Report No. 00812 (OL/Supply Division WD-5)

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for approval. This recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.

25X1 2. Subject survey report, considered by the Headquarters Board of Survey at a meeting held on 23 February 1956, pertains to a shortage of eight (8) combination lock filing cabinets, unserviceable condition, amounting to a book value of \$1,906.82, at [redacted] the Supply Division, Office of Logistics. Originally, twenty-six (26) of these filing cabinets, as listed in a hold allocation for surplus and unserviceable items, were unaccounted for. Eighteen (18) were written off after the Supply Division, OL, found two unposted vouchers dated March 1954, in file. No other unposted documents could be found to cover the remaining eight (8) on record.

3. A thorough inventory of the surplus allocation has not been accomplished since 1951, before the physical move of the Depot [redacted] Exhibits, submitted by the present Chief of the Depot and the present Depot disposal assistant, indicate that the records are in error which may possibly be attributed to changes in stock number, identification, and a changeover to machine records.

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4. During the course of investigation by the Headquarters Board of Survey, several of the many supply officers concerned with these items in the past, have indicated the discrepancy may be attributed to any of twenty odd possibilities. It is the Board's opinion that former uncontrolled warehouse conditions, lack of system, and errors in administration or documentation preclude assessing responsibility to any individual. Furthermore, the Board believes the property has not been lost to use by the Agency.

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5. Therefore, in accordance with Section 4d(2)(c) of Regulation [redacted] the attached report of survey is forwarded to the Deputy Director (Support) through the Director of Logistics and it is the unanimous recommendation of the Board, as indicated by the signatures below, that the report of survey be approved, and that the accountable and responsible officers be relieved of accountability and responsibility, provided however, that accountability again be picked up in

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